

RIFLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, October 4, 2017

REGULAR MEETING

7:00 p.m. * Council Chambers

A regular meeting of the Rifle City Council was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Mayor Barbara Clifton.

PRESENT AT ROLL CALL: Councilors Joe Carpenter, Joe Elliott, Ed Green, Theresa Hamilton, Annick Pruett, Sean Strode and Mayor Barbara Clifton.

OTHERS PRESENT: Interim City Manager Davis Farrar, City Clerk Kristy Christensen, City Attorney Jim Neu, Rifle Community Television (RCTV) Assistant Salvador Tovar, Planning Director Nathan Lindquist, Finance Director Michelle Duran, Chief of Police Thomas Klein, Michael Langhorne, David See, Karen Roberts, Kirk Swallow, Kevin, and Alex Zorn.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

No citizen comments were heard.

CONSENT AGENDA - APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- A. Minutes from the August 2, 2017 Regular Meeting
- B. (Acting as Liquor Licensing Authority) Liquor License Renewals:
Roaring Fork Grill dba Brickhouse Pizzeria and Box I Inc. dba Jon's Liquors
- C. Designating persons authorized to sign City checks – Resolution No. 21, Series of 2017
- D. Amendment to Interim City Manager Contract

Councilor Pruett moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A, B, C and D; seconded by Councilor Hamilton.

Roll Call: Yes – Carpenter, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, Strode and Clifton

CONSIDER SITE PLAN REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH WENDY'S DEVELOPER

David See, Wendy's developer, the applicant presented the Site Plan Improvements and Redevelopment Agreement with Wendy's restaurant. The agreement stipulates that the City will direct \$350,000 towards public infrastructure that is adjacent to and within the site of a new Wendy's restaurant at 101 Railroad Avenue and 134 West Centennial Parkway.

Planning Director Nathan Lindquist noted the Downtown Master Plan and City of Rifle Strategic Plan identify improvements to the Gateway area as a top priority. The City of Rifle Capital Improvement Plan identifies funds for improvement of the Gateway area. Expending these funds in conjunction with private development ensures that public and private investments are efficient and coordinated. This Agreement provides assurance to Wendy's that the City intends to participate in coordination with the Wendy's development. It allows the applicant to proceed with closing on the property, removal of the gas stations, and engineering/design of the project. Staff recommends that City Council approve the Site Plan Improvement Agreement with Wendy's Restaurant with the inclusion of \$350,000 in infrastructure funding.

Councilor Elliott moved to approve the Site Redevelopment Agreement, seconded by Councilor Pruett.
Roll Call: Yes – Carpenter, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, Strode and Clifton

CONSIDER APPOINTING KAREN ROBERTS AS PLANNING COMMISSION 1ST ALTERNATE

Planning Director Nathan Lindquist requests Council appoint Karen Roberts to the Planning and Zoning Commission as first alternate member.

Councilor Elliott moved to approve the appointment of Karen Roberts as first alternate member to the Planning and Zoning Commission, seconded by Councilor Pruett.
Roll Call: Yes – Carpenter, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, Strode and Clifton

CONSIDER AMENDING THE TERM OF APPOINTMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE – ORDINANCE NO. 23, SERIES OF 2017 – 1ST READING

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIFLE, COLORADO, AMENDING SECTION 2-4-40 REGARDING THE TERM OF APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGES.

City Attorney Jim Neu explained the term of the Municipal Court Judges is the same as City Council commencing in September of odd numbered years. A newly seated Council makes an appointment of the Municipal Judge and Associate Municipal Judge with little information or opportunity to acquaint themselves with the Municipal Court Judges. Ordinance No. 23, Series of 2017 amends Section 2-4-40 of the Rifle Municipal Code amending the term of the Municipal Court Judges to commence September 1st of even numbered years, thus giving a new City Council one year before making an appointment.

Councilor Hamilton moved to approve Ordinance No. 23, Series of 2017, on first reading, as presented, and order it to be published as required by Charter; seconded by Councilor Green. Roll Call: Yes – Carpenter, Elliott, Green, Hamilton, Pruett, Strode and Clifton

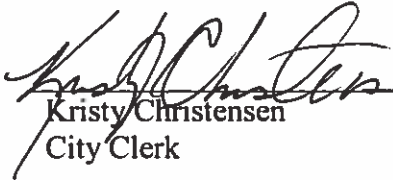
ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Comments were heard from Interim City Manager, Chief Klein, and Michelle Duran.

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Comments were heard from Councilors Hamilton, Pruett, Strode and Mayor Clifton.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.


Kristy Christensen
City Clerk




Barbara Clifton
Mayor